

FIG. 1

FIG. 2

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102 Flights 104 Hotels 106 Cruises Vacations

Round-trip One-way Multi-city

108 City name (e.g. Boston), or airport code

112 From 110 Also search airports within 70 miles

112 To 114 Also search airports within 70 miles

116 Flexible dates, power search for savings (US & Canada)

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122 I prefer non-stop flights

128 129 130 131 132 133 134 135

136 Search

Travelers (up to 9)

Adult (18-64)	Senior (65+)	Youth (12-17)	Child (2-11)
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ORBITZ
FLEX SEARCH

Flights

Hotels

Cars

Cruises

Vacations

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From

138 110 City name (e.g. Chicago), or airport code
To

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FIG. 4

From: Chicago O'hare International, IL (ORD)

To: Detroit Wayne County, MI (DTW)

Click a fare to see airlines and times.

Choose a different month or simply start over

CALENDAR
MATRIX

202 1st weekend

206 Sunday




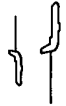



208 Monday

210 Tuesday

204 Stops

Leaving	Thu Dec 4	Returning	Sun Dec 7	Stops	Monday	Stops	Tuesday	Stops
Leaving	Fri Dec 5	From \$99	Sun Dec 7	0	From \$99	0	From \$99	0
Leaving	Sat Dec 6	From \$99	Sun Dec 7	0	From \$99	0	From \$99	0
2nd weekend								
Leaving	Thu Dec 11	Returning	Sun Dec 14	0	From \$99	0	From \$99	0
Leaving	Fri Dec 12	From \$99	Sun Dec 14	0	From \$99	0	From \$99	0
Leaving	Sat Dec 13	From \$99	Sun Dec 14	0	From \$99	0	From \$99	0
3rd weekend								
Leaving	Thu Dec 18	Returning	Sun Dec 21	0	From \$99	0	From \$99	0
Leaving	Fri Dec 19	From \$99	Sun Dec 21	0	From \$99	0	From \$99	0
Leaving	Sat Dec 20	From \$99	Sun Dec 21	0	From \$99	0	From \$99	0
4th weekend								
Leaving	Thu Dec 25	Returning	Sun Dec 28	0	From \$99	0	From \$99	0
Leaving	Fri Dec 26	From \$99	Sun Dec 28	0	From \$99	0	From \$99	0
Leaving	Sat Dec 27	From \$99	Sun Dec 28	0	From \$99	0	From \$99	0

FIG. 5

ORBITZ		MATRIX							
		 <u>United Airlines</u>	 <u>American Airlines</u>	 <u>Northwest Airlines</u>	 <u>Multiple Carriers</u>	 <u>Delta Airlines</u>	 <u>US Airlines</u>	 <u>Continental Airlines</u>	
252	Non-Stop	\$99 see below	\$99	\$99	\$99	\$99	\$119	\$119	↖ 254
	1 Stop			\$268	\$99	\$99			↖ 256
	2 Stop								

Fares are per person, using e-tickets, and include all taxes and fees. Some itineraries require paper tickets with an addition

Sort flights by:

Lowest price

Departure times

Shortest flights

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Showing: United Airlines non-stop flights (49 flights out of 132 total)

250

Start over

Book It

\$99 per person

Return to flexible Search Results

From Chicago, IL (ORD)


To Detroit, MI (DTW)

Leave Dec 4 Anytime

Return

258


Leave Thursday, Dec 4



Depart: 6:40am

Arrive: 8:48am

Return Sunday, Dec 7



Depart: 7:00am

Arrive: 7:20am

United Airlines 834

Chicago, IL
Detroit, MI

United Airlines 1205

Detroit, MI
Chicago, IL

Non-Stop

Economy 1h
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CALENDAR
MATRIX

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300	302	304	Thu Sep 11	Stops	Fri Sep 12	Stops	Sat Sep 13	Stops
Leaving Tue Sep 2			<u>\$99</u>	0	<u>\$99</u>	0	<u>\$99</u>	0
Leaving Wed Sep 3			<u>\$99</u>	0	<u>\$99</u>	0	<u>\$99</u>	0
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Leaving Sat Sep 6			<u>\$99</u>	0	<u>\$99</u>	0	<u>\$99</u>	0

FIG. 8

ORBITZ MATRIX		AA American Airlines	nwa Northwest Airlines	Multiple Carriers	Delta Airlines	United Airlines	US Airlines	Continental Airlines
310	Non-Stop	\$202 see below	<u>\$202</u>	<u>\$202</u>		<u>\$255</u>	<u>\$255</u>	
	1 Stop	<u>\$274</u>	<u>\$228</u>	<u>\$202</u>	<u>\$228</u>		<u>\$271</u>	<u>\$305</u>
	2 Stop							

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Showing: American Airlines non-stop flights (25 flights out of 134 total)

CHANGE SEARCH

Start over

Book It

\$202 per person

Return to flexible
Search Results

From Chicago, IL (ORD) To Detroit, MI (DTW)	Leave Tuesday, Sep 2 AA Depart: 9:57am Arrive: 12:04am	American Airlines 1708 Chicago, IL (MDW) Detroit, MI (DTW)	Non-Stop Economy 1h Fokker 100
Leave Sep 2 Anytime Return Sep 11 Anytime	Return Thursday, Sep 11 AA Depart: 7:04am Arrive: 7:15am	American Airlines 1739 Detroit, MI (DTW) Chicago, IL (MDW)	Non-Stop Economy 1h Fokker 100

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CALENDAR
MATRIX

		Returning 4 days (3 nights)		Returning 5 days (4 nights)		Returning 6 days (5 nights)	
		Stops	406	Stops	406	Stops	406
Leaving	Mon Nov 10	From \$117	Thu Nov 13	From \$117	Fri Nov 14	From \$117	Sat Nov 15
Leaving	Tue Nov 11	From \$117	Fri Nov 14	From \$117	Sat Nov 15	From \$117	Sun Nov 16
Leaving	Wed Nov 12	From \$117	Sat Nov 15	From \$117	Sun Nov 16	From \$117	Mon Nov 17
Leaving	Thu Nov 13	From \$117	Sun Nov 16	From \$117	Mon Nov 17	From \$117	Tue Nov 18
Leaving	Fri Nov 14	From \$117	Mon Nov 17	From \$117	Tue Nov 18	From \$117	Wed Nov 19
Leaving	Sat Nov 15	From \$117	Tue Nov 18	From \$117	Wed Nov 19	From \$117	Thu Nov 20
Leaving	Sun Nov 16	From \$117	Wed Nov 19	From \$117	Thu Nov 20		
Leaving	Mon Nov 17	From \$117	Thu Nov 20	From \$117			

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